

## **Rhode Island Governor's Commission on Aging Minutes of May 21, 2014 Meeting**

### **Members present:**

Sister Marietta Walsh, Karen Enright, Esther Price, Libby Arron, Madeline Ernest, William Finelli, Bill Flynn, Rev. Paul F. Bliss, Joan Crawley, Susan Adler, Sue Robbio

### **Members excused:**

Rick Ryan, Brian Ott, MD, Jim Nyberg, Larry Grimaldi

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Sister Marietta Walsh at 10:08 AM

### **Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes**

Bill Finelli made a motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes, seconded by Bill Flynn. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Treasurer's Report**

\$ 109.60. Approved.

### **Old Business:**

Discussion of Upcoming Agenda Topics/speakers

#### **A. Governor Candidate Forum**

The Senior Agenda Coalition Forum will be held in August. The date has not yet been confirmed but it is expected to be on a Monday or Friday afternoon at the Crown Plaza in Warwick. Jill Anderson is providing consulting work to organize this event. Sponsors are expected to collectively bring 15 attendees. It is expected that one person from each sponsor group will ask questions of the candidates.

AARP is also planning a forum for the Candidates

The Commission members to attend the August Forum as a group to provide support for these sponsor groups putting emphasis on the value and importance of RI elders.

Bill Flynn will continue to inform us of the event

Rev. Paul F. Bliss will continue to inform us regarding the AARP Forum.

#### **B. The Commission members will continue to clarify issues to work on with the new Governor.**

#### **C. Update on Observation Status**

No new information to report

#### **D. Advance Care Planning and End of Life Care**

Healthcentric Advisors continue their work. Sister Marietta Walsh will continue to inform us. This group has stressed the "my care, my choice, my voice" for advance care planning.

### **New Business:**

#### **2014-2015 Slate of Offices**

The nominating committee presented the following slate of officers

President - Rick Ryan

Vice President - Susan Adler

Secretary - Karen Enright

Treasurer - Esther Price

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.